Disinfecting means to destroy almost all germs that could make a person sick. Disinfecting is for high-touch areas that collect lots of germs (bathroom faucets and counters, toilets, drinking fountains, doorknobs). Choose an EPA registered disinfectant, and use the product according to the label directions. NEVER ALLOW STUDENTS TO USE DISINFECTANTS!

**STEP 1** Put on gloves.

**STEP 2** Pre-clean the surface with soap and water. Surfaces should be clean before applying a disinfectant.

**STEP 3** Apply the disinfectant. Spray away from people and provide ventilation.

**STEP 4** Leave the surface wet for the appropriate contact (dwell) time stated on the product label. Set a timer to keep track of the time.

**STEP 5** Allow the surface to air dry, or dry with a fresh paper towel or microfiber cloth.

Important note: Some disinfectants are ready-to-use and some are meant to be diluted with water. Always follow product label directions!